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PATENT

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APPLICANTS: LANGEDER ET AL - 2 PCT  
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FOR: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR CLEANING WELDING TORCHES

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

**MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 15, 2008,  
Applicants respectfully respond as follows:

**An Election of Inventions** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**ELECTION OF INVENTIONS:**

The Patent Examiner has required the election of one of the following Groups for further prosecution:

Group I: Claims 1-5, drawn to a method of cleaning torches;  
or

Group II: Claims 6-52, drawn to an apparatus for cleaning torches.

**ELECTION:**

Applicants respectfully elect, with traverse, Group I, claims 1-5, drawn to a method for cleaning torches, for further prosecution.